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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

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IMPF	ROVED INO	CULANT STRAINS OF BRAD	/RHIZOBIUM JAPONICUM	
APP	LICANT(S) F	FOR DO/EO/US		
Arvin	nd A. BHAGV	WAT and Donald KEISTER		
Appli	icant herewit	th submits to the United States	Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following	lowing items and other information:
1.	$\boxtimes$	This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.		
2		This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.		
E E	⋈	This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).		
换		A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.		
	⊠	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))  a.  is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).  b.  has been transmitted by the International Bureau.  c.  is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)		
6.	$\boxtimes$	A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).		
Z I T		Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))  a.  are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).  b.  have been transmitted by the International Bureau.  c.  have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendment has NOT expired.  d.  have not been made and will not be made.		
8		A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).		
9.		An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).		
10.		A translation of the annexes	s to the International Preliminary Examination F	Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).
Items	s 11. to 16. t	pelow concern other docume	nt(s) or information included:	
11.	$\boxtimes$	An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.		
12.		An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.		
13.	. 1	A FIRST preliminary amendment. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.		
14.		A substitute specification.		
15.		A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.		
16.		Other items or information.  1. International Search Report prepared by ISA/US  2. Formal Drawings		



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U.S. APPLIC. NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.50) 0.9/88983INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER PCT/US00/32316 55859-016 PTO USE ONLY **CALCULATIONS** The following fees are submitted: Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)): Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO \$860.00 International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) \$690.00 No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but international search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) \$710.00 Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO \$1,000.00 International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4) \$100.00 **ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =** \$710.00 Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 

✓ 20 □ 30 \$ 130.00 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). Claims Number Filed Number Extra Rate Fotal Claims x \$18.00 15 -20 =\$ findependent Claims x \$80.00 4 -3 = 1 \$80.00 Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable) + \$270.00 \$ TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$920.00 Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity Statement must also be \$ filed. (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). SUBTOTAL = \$ 920.00 Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than the 🗌 20 🔲 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). **TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =** \$920.00 Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property \$ **TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =** \$ 920.00 Amount to be: \$ refunded charged a. A check in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$ 920.00 to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status. SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: SIGNATURE Robert L. Price McDERMOTT, WILL & EMERY NAME 600 13th Street, N.W. 22,685 Washington, DC 20005-3096 REGISTRATION NUMBER (202) 756-8000 July 24, 2001 Facsimile (202) 756-8087 DATE

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## TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

At the time the above application was filed, informal drawings were presented with the application.

The formal drawings are submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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